



Regular Meeting  
of the  
San José  
Driving a Strong Economy Committee  
held  
September 25, 2006 at 1:30 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: Chair Forrest Williams; Vice-Chair Dave Cortese; Chuck Reed, Member; Madison Nguyen, Member

Items were heard out of order on this agenda.

b. [Grand Prix Report \(Economic Development\) \[REQUEST FOR DEFERRAL\]](#)

Motion: Approve and accept Staff's request to defer this item.

Moved by Madison Nguyen, Member, seconded by Chuck Reed, Member.

c. [Economic Development Strategy Progress Report \(Economic Development\) \[REQUEST FOR DEFERRAL\]](#)

Motion: Approve and accept Staff's request to defer this item.

Moved by Madison Nguyen, Member, seconded by Chuck Reed, Member.

a. [Small Contractor Focus Group \(Public Works\)](#)

Motion: Approve and accept Staff's report.

Moved by Chuck Reed, Member, seconded by Vice-Chair Dave Cortese.

d. [Update on the Small Business Ambassador Program \(Planning, Building, & Code Enforcement, Economic Development\) \[DEFERRED FROM JUNE 26, 2006\]](#)

Hal Schneider, Business Owner, "The Perfect Finish" and Peter Favre, Business Owner, "Mojo Burger" both spoke of the positive attributes this program has provided them in getting started with their businesses.

Motion: Approve and accept Staff's report.

Moved by Chuck Reed, Member, seconded by Madison Nguyen, Member.

e. [San Jose Entrepreneur Center Program Evaluation Report  
\(Redevelopment Agency\) \[REFERRAL FROM RULES COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 2, 2006\]](#)

Jenny Meehan, President/CEO Silicon Valley Economic Development provided information on the small loans program her organization can provide and other assistance programs.

Warrick Rosten, Director, Silicon Valley Small Business Development Center spoke on the number of clients they are able to assist.

Carlos Figueroa, Greater San Jose Hispanic Chamber of Commerce stated the Center was very useful as a referral resource and to visiting foreign trade delegations.

Motion: Approve and accept Staff's report.

Moved by Chuck Reed, Member, seconded by Madison Nguyen, Member.

f. Oral Petitions

None

g. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 3:08pm.

By:

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Forrest Williams  
Chair Driving a Strong Economy  
Committee

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